

## ITEMS HERE AND THERE.

## BLOOMFIELD'S VETERANS.

A GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLICAN POST TO BE FORMED IN BLOOMFIELD—DETAILS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

A social meeting of some of the veterans of the late war, residents of Bloomfield, was held at the house of Mr. Joseph A. Polombot on Wednesday, June 9. After spending some time in going over old times and war experiences, they came to order and began discussing new times.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

I. Resolved, That we form ourselves into a company and elect a Captain, First and Second Lieutenants, and an Adjutant.

II. Resolved, That the Adjutant keep a roster of all the soldiers in Bloomfield, with their rank, regiment and time of service.

III. Resolved, That all soldiers of the war of 1861-65 be considered members, and be notified of the action of this meeting and invited to send in their names, etc.

IV. Resolved, That we hold a social reunion once in three months, to which all the members will be welcome.

After spending some time in discussing the matter, it was decided to hold an adjourned meeting in the hall over Mr. Wilde's store, on Monday evening, June 14, at which time officers will be elected and other matters of interest to all discussed. And it was further requested that the resolutions and call of the adjourned meeting be published in the Bloomfield Record.

All soldiers of the war of 1861-65 in Bloomfield are cordially invited and expected to be present at the meeting, on Monday evening next at 8 o'clock, at which time all the seventy-five veterans answer to roll-call.

## HOPE SUNDAY SCHOOL FESTIVAL.

The entertainment given by Hope Sunday School, on Tuesday evening, proved an occasion of unusual enjoyment to all who were so fortunate as to be present.

Through the active exertion of teachers and scholars, aided by numerous friends of the school, the room was handsomely decorated with flags and flowers, while the pretty toilets of the ladies added brilliancy and color to the scene. The flower boxes, placed in the centre of the room and trimmed with flags and evergreens, was much admired for its beauty.

Other tables were made attractive with their beautiful display of cake and fruit. Refreshments were served by pretty waiters in white aprons at small tables placed at convenient distances about the side of the room.

Opposite the entrance hung a handsome banner in blue and gold, bearing upon its face a large window, surrounded by the inscription—"Hope Sunday School."

The whole entertainment was a success, and speaks well for the management of the school, which will no doubt receive a new impulse from this revival of interest in the favor.

## A BLOOMFIELD CLUB FOR ATHLETICS.

The plan has been suggested to the boys of Bloomfield of forming a club for athletic sports, similar to that now organized in Montclair. The idea is very favorably entertained by them, and it will very probably be put into effect. In addition to the base-ball which they already have, foot-ball, cricket, gymnastic exercises and other sports would be participated in. Foot-ball matches could be gotten up with the clubs of neighboring towns, as well as the present base-ball matches. Many sports could be taken up in months of the year when base-ball is unseasonable. It is thought that a clubhouse might be built at slight expense, which could be used in winter as a gymnasium. A special field for the out-door exercises would be made—rolled, sodded and otherwise adapted to the purpose. The boys are very enthusiastic over the idea, and, if possible, will carry it out.

## GOSPEL TEMPERANCE.

Bob Stacey spoke with great power and acceptance to a large audience at the meeting last Saturday evening. Quite a number of signers to the pledge were added. This evening a converted Irishman will address the meeting.

## RECORD OF THE THERMOMETER.

The following is the record of the thermometer kept at Marsh's Pharmacy, for the past week:

|                  | 7 A. M. | 12 M. | 5 P. M. |
|------------------|---------|-------|---------|
| Saturday, June 6 | 74      | 75    | 74      |
| Sunday           | 70      | 73    | 71      |
| Monday           | 76      | 88    | 86      |
| Tuesday          | 78      | 74    | 73      |
| Wednesday        | 86      | 71    | 73      |
| Thursday         | 69      | 73    | 72      |
| Friday           | 70      | 70    | 73      |

A stage now runs regularly three times a day between Bloomfield and Orange. The timetable is given elsewhere.

The Young People's Association of the Baptist Church will hold a literary and musical meeting on Wednesday evening of next week in the church parlor.

At the sale of twenty lots on J. D. Toppin, on Dodd street, East Orange, on Tuesday, three were purchased by Mr. R. Appleton, after which the sale was adjourned.

Excursion trains are now regularly running on the New York and Greenwood Lake Railway, between Bloomfield and Greenwood Lake. An advertisement of the timetable will be found in another column.

The strawberry festival at Bartholomew's Grounds last evening was greatly enjoyed by those present. The music was excellently rendered. Large numbers attended, and the proceeds, therefore, were very satisfactory.

The strawberry festival gotten up by ladies of the Aid Society of the German Church was held in Library Hall on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. It proved a very successful affair, both socially and financially, a hundred dollars being cleared from it.

An entertainment is to be given in Library Hall, on Thursday evening next, by the school children of the Church of the Sacred Heart. The exercises will consist of declamations, dialogues, singing and so forth, and also a piece somewhat of a dramatic nature.

At the Alumni meeting on Wednesday afternoon, at the German Church, Rev. Louis Wolfers, of New York, will deliver an introductory address in German, and Dr. Smith, of Newark, Dr. Foot, of Philadelphia, and others, will deliver addresses in English. Americans as well as Germans will be interested.

THE REPUBLICAN VOTERS of Bloomfield are requested to meet in the upper room in Library Hall on WEDNESDAY evening, June 16th, at eight o'clock for the purpose of organizing a Republican Club for the coming campaign.

J. C. BEACHE.

## A CURIOUS HISTORICAL ERROR.

Probably ninety-nine persons in a hundred believe that Sir Walter Raleigh visited America, for it is so recorded in many books; but a New York paper denies that the ill-starred favorite of Queen Elizabeth ever came to these shores, and makes the following statement in support of its assertion—a statement which will be new to many readers:

"Every few weeks we see in print something about Sir Walter Raleigh's visits to this country and sojourns in Virginia, where, indeed, some persons have assumed to have his blood through connections formed by him when in that colony. Hardly any historical error is commoner than this. It occurs continually, not only in newspapers here and abroad, but in books claiming to have been prepared with care. The cause of this widespread mistake is doubtless that Sir Walter Raleigh did not sail higher in 1570 with his half-brother, Sir Humphrey Gilbert, who had obtained a liberal patent for establishing a plantation in America. One of their vessels was lost and the other was so crippled—it is said in an engagement with a Spanish fleet—that they put back without making land. Four years later, Raleigh, weary of inactivity as a courtier, used his influence with Queen Elizabeth to promote a second expedition to these shores. Prevented at the last moment by accident from coming in person, he left the command to Sir Humphrey, who sailed from Plymouth with five ships (June, 1585), and reached Newfoundland, of which he took possession in the name of the Queen. The voyage was very unfortunate in many ways, and Gilbert himself, in returning home, went down with one of the only two vessels he had left. Raleigh fitted out other expeditions to America, and is reported, but incorrectly, to have named Virginia after Elizabeth in honor of her supposed maidenhood. She herself so designated the colony, and conferred upon her favorite the order of knighthood for the efforts he had made to further its progress. Raleigh, however, never set foot on or even saw this land. Still a work with so much reputation and of such pretense as 'Chambers' Encyclopedia' says, in an article on Raleigh (we quote from the London edition of 1877): 'The spirit of enterprise was, however, restless in the man; and in 1583, a patent having been granted him to take possession of land to be discovered by him on the continent of North America, he fitted out two ships at his own expense, and shortly achieved the discovery and occupation of the territory known as Virginia.' What does this mean if it does not mean that Raleigh came over in the ships? The Encyclopedia commits the same blunder in divers places, of which this is one: Speaking of England without attracting much notice, till it was a third time imported from America by Sir Walter Raleigh. If a standard work, ranked as an authoritative work of reference, makes the glaring mistake, it is strange that newspapers and hastily written books should trip on the same point."

## THE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE.

The Independent this week, under the heading "Garfield and Victory," gets off two or three good sentiments in the following rather hifalutin style:

"Victory! James A. Garfield, of Ohio, is the Republican candidate for President, and we are glad. The machines are broken. The dictators are beaten. The glorious old Republican party refuses to be battered away. Those who bully and those who buy retire discomfited, and a true man receives the nomination, who made no effort for it, whose name had not been mentioned, but whose pre-eminent ability needs no assertion. He will bring us, in November, victory."

"James A. Garfield is a young man, not fifty years old. He is a graduate of Williams, was a clergyman and a professor in Hiram College, O.; then was admitted to the bar, and was elected to the Ohio State Senate; served honorably in the war, and rose to the rank of major-general; before the close of the war was elected to Congress, where he has remained ever since, and where, since Blaine's removal to the Senate, he has been the Republican leader of the House. He is a man of ability and integrity, and his nomination puts an air of decency on the coming campaign. There might have been a nomination to which we could not have given earnest support. With full, hearty enthusiasm we add our shout to the cheers for James A. Garfield, of Ohio."

"And now the republican party, without bitterness or dissensions, can join hands to elect its candidate. Let there be no holding back by Grant's friends, or Blaine's friends, or Sherman's friends. We need them all. Nobody can complain. There is everything to arouse enthusiasm. Now for union and victory!"

## THE LIVES OF FISHES.

Some days ago I had occasion to make some inquiry into the age of fishes, and was surprised to find that they lived so long. Thinking that there are others who know as little about the subject as I did, I append a letter I received from Prof. Spencer W. Baird, United States Fish Commissioner, who is the best authority in the world on fish. He writes:

"There is, I believe, authentic evidence to show that carp have attained the age of two hundred years. There is a tradition that within the last fifty years a pike was living in Russia whose age dated back to the fifteenth century. The fish is said to have been eighteen legs long. This, however, is not considered very reliable. But there is nothing to prevent a fish from living almost indefinitely, as there is no period of maturity, but grows with each year of life. In species like mammals and birds, where there is a limit, a definite term of years is generally the rule."

There are now some gold-fish here in the aquariums of the United States Botanical Garden that are fifty years old. A gold-fish dealer in Baltimore showed me some gold-fish that he had kept in his aquarium for thirty years.—Washington Letter to the Hartford Times.

## TRUTHS OF CHRISTIANITY.

## POWER OF THE CHRISTIAN PRESS.

THE SURVIVAL OF GOOD AND THE DEFEAT OF EVIL—MAY'S WILL AND GOD'S WILL WORKING TOGETHER—TEXT FORUMS.

In the Christian Weekly an address by the Rev. J. F. Stevenson, D. D., at the anniversary of the American Tract Society on the power of the Christian press is given. We make the following extract:

The Christian press is a very wonderful thing, and more and more wonderful every day and every month we live. Now, think of what it could become to us if we rightly used it. Think of the strange permanence of a book—how it holds its power year after year, age after age.

Do you know who Homer was? Far, far back in the long past ages of antiquity the grand old man lived—if he ever did live, and we know very, very little about him; who reduced those poems of his to writing we do not know—when, where, how, the man? And yet the mighty thoughts of Homer, that glorious, wonderful, wonderful working thought of the Homeric verse, is there; our boys read it at college, and we men, if we can stop for a moment in the haste and bustle of life, we go back again and for an hour catch the old tone, and our soul rings to the magnificent echo, for old Homer is there; because of God's mercy, what he sang was written and transmitted to us.

Look at that book, that doubly rare and wonderful book, put together in various parts in various times and in various places. What a wonderful gift of God to the human race! very strange, very marvelous. The men are all dead long since. Moons—where is he? Gone behind the veil. David dead! No, he sang to us last Sunday in church, and he will sing to us next Sunday and many times in the church, if we will let him. Isaiah—his rapier scathed fire—we have it with us still. Job's pathetic plaint and walling cry—dead? No, never so living as he is now. And the sweet words of Christ, and the wise, thoughtful, inclusive eloquence of Paul, and the learned, wonderful insight into Christian theology which he gives us, and which the blessed John gives us. They are there, and there forever. Since that book was written empires have risen and fallen; revolutions have come and gone; new nations have been created; men have entered upon phases of progress unknown and undreamed of before. Still the old book is there; the written letter remains age after age, in every country and in every land. Write your thought, and your thought becomes immortal. And this society of ours is doing work upon that principle; it is reducing to writing and reducing to print these grand, glorious thoughts of God in the Gospel, and when they are written and printed, multiplying them, then they become a permanent possession for the human race; no man can take them away.

I want nothing but a fair field. Give me Christianity preached faithfully, written clearly, scattered broadcast by a reasonable Christian press, and I leave the result cheerfully to the Holy Spirit of the living God and to the instincts of that great heart of man that needs God, cries out for salvation, and is thirsting to obtain it.

The Christian at Work, this week, puts the survival of the good and the decay of the evil in this way:

In Trafalgar Square, London, is a monument, and a noble work of art it is, to the memory of England's great naval hero. And yet, standing before that column, and reading the inscription on the three sides of its plinth, one feels that there is a fourth side which may well bear no inscription, but which, if the legend were written, would somewhat emote other than kindly virtues. It would tell the story to which no father would be willing that his child should listen. Turning from that monument to that humbler monument on the banks of the Potomac, and pausing before the tomb which holds the mortal remains of the great Washington, we feel that there is no blot on the record of that life, no stain on his escutcheon, and that, from the travestied story of the hatchet to the utterance of his memorable farewell words, there is no chapter in that eventful life which one may blush to read. And the story of that life is its own proudest monument—it will shine forth resplendently, a beacon for the ages, when the monumental stone to Nelson and the columned bronze to Napoleon shall have crumbled. And when we consider the grandeur of him who alone lived the perfect life and was himself the Way, the Truth and the Life, how feeble, how deathlike is that name! And since he passed into the heavens the world has received an impulse for good, an impulse toward the truth, which like the law of Force shall know no rest, but shall move on and on to the consummation of the world's beatitude.

The Examiner and Chronicle prints the address of the Rev. A. H. Strong, D. D., President of the Rochester Theological Seminary, delivered before the graduating class at the recent anniversary. The subject was "Self-mastery." We quote:

And now how may this self-mastery be acquired? We do not endeavor the divine side of the truth when we say that there is requisite a resolute will. Christianity does not make a man a selfish organ of God's working. We are not to love our wills, but, in a true sense, to have more of will than ever before. God works in and through man's working. Your true selves must die up against the false and just these down. But then all this is so dependence upon Him who worketh in us. In Christ alone we find our true selves—in Him alone stands real freedom and power. This truth of union with Christ, as you well know, has been the centre and burden of my teaching. I bring you to it once more at this critical moment of your lives when, like the king of Babylon, you stand at the parting of the ways. In that truth lies the solution of all mysteries, the answer to all perplexities, the overcoming strength for all conflicts, and especially for the conflict with yourselves. You desire to know how you may attain this

self-mastery? The answer is: "They that are Christ's have crucified the flesh, with its affections and lusts." Christ has himself conquered, and he waits to make you partakers of his victory. By faith receive Him, and you shall be more than conquerors through Him that loved you. Only the Son of God, joining His almighty wisdom and strength to yours, can enable you to subdue yourselves. But he is able to save, unto the uttermost, all them that come to God through Him.

The Rev. Tryon Edwards, D. D., describes what it is to be a Christian thus clearly:

And now if it be asked, "What is a Christian?" And how may I know if I am one?" the answer is given by two other questions. First: "Do you believe all that Christ teaches?" and second: "Do you endeavor to do all that Christ commands?" In other words, do you receive all that Christ says as true, and treat it as true, and act upon it as true? If you do, then you are a Christian. For when some one asked the blessed Saviour, "What shall we do that we might work the works of God?" He replied, "This is the work of God, that ye might believe on Him whom He hath sent." And when they told Him that His mother and brethren were without, desiring to speak to Him, he said, "Whoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother and sister and mother." And then, you believe all that Christ teaches, so far and so fast as you understand it; and if you endeavor to do all that Christ commands, so far and so fast as you know it, then you are a Christian. You may be a weak and feeble Christian, just entering the divine life; but you are in that life. You may be as yet but a babe in Christ; but you are in Him. And if you are but faithful to study His Word, that you may know the truth and live with it, and earnest in prayer for the aid of His Holy Spirit, that you may be enabled to do it, then you shall grow and increase in strength, till you come at last to the "measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ."

## TINY TOKENS.

The murmur of a waterfall.  
A mile away.  
The rustle when a robin lights  
Upon a spray.  
The tapping of a lowland stream  
On dipping boughs.  
The sound of grazing from a herd  
Of gentle cows.  
The echo from the wooded hill  
Of cuckoo's call.  
The quiver through the meadow grass  
At evening fall.  
Too subtle are these harmonies  
For pen and rule.  
Such music is not understood  
By any school.  
But when the brain is overwrought  
It hath a spell.  
Beyond all human skill and power  
To make it well.

The memory of a kindly word  
For long gone by.  
The fragrance of a fading flower  
Sent lovingly.  
The gleaming of a sudden smile,  
Of sudden tear.  
The warmer pressure of the hand,  
The tone of cheer.  
The hush that means, "I cannot speak.  
But I have heard!"  
The note that only bears a verse  
From God's own word—  
Such tiny things we hardly count  
As ministry;  
The gifts deemed they have shown  
Scant sympathy;  
But, when the heart is overwrought  
Oh, who can tell  
The power of such tiny things  
To make it well!

TRAITS OF FRENCH LITERATURE.

It is a singular fact that the oft-quoted saying, "Language was given to man to conceal his thoughts," should have come from a Frenchman. Of all the faults of style, there is no other for which a Frenchman has so profound a horror as for obscurity. Take all the Gallic writers, from Montaigne to Lamartine, and search through the work of each, from the title page to finish, and you will hunt as vainly for an obscure passage as in a German author for a clear one. Dip where you will into Pascal, Descartes, Bossuet, Rousseau or Taine, you will find every sentence written as with a sunbeam. Nothing can be more even than the flow; nothing more logical than the structure of the periods; the implied clearness of the phobed brook runs through them all. While, on the other hand, Taylor Hooker and Milton abound with ellipses, parentheses and invocations, and your great German thinker—especially if a metaphysician—treats a sentence as a sort of carpet-bag into which to cram all the ideas it can be made to hold. One of the most distinguished English critics admits that in the competition of the literary chiefs of Europe the palm of superiority must be given to the writers, not of his own country, but of France. As the French are the wisest of the European people, so there is none by whom wit is more keenly appreciated or sipped, whom it produces so prodigious effects.

Lord Macaulay admits that the literature of France has been to that of England, what Aaron was to Moses, the possessor of great truths, which would else have perished for want of a voice to utter them with distinctness.

Bishop Simpson will visit the Methodist mission in Japan and China this summer, and Bishop Merrill the Methodist Conference and missions in Europe and India.

The American Baptist Missionary Union will begin mission work in Liberia this year, with the object of establishing ultimately a mission in the interior.

The debts of the Baptist churches of Philadelphia were about \$10,000 a year ago. The whole of this large indebtedness has been swept away within a few months.

Last year 3,300 new members were added to the Baptist churches in Sweden. Baptist preachers in Sweden are not yet allowed by law to solemnize the rites of matrimony.

The Rev. Joseph T. Dyer, D. D., of the Central Congregational Church of Boston, will be the next lecturer before the Yale Theological School in the series of lectures on preaching.

Dr. John Hall, of New York City, says the members of his church during the past five years have given to benevolent objects outside the church a greater sum than the church edifice cost, or more than \$1,000,000.

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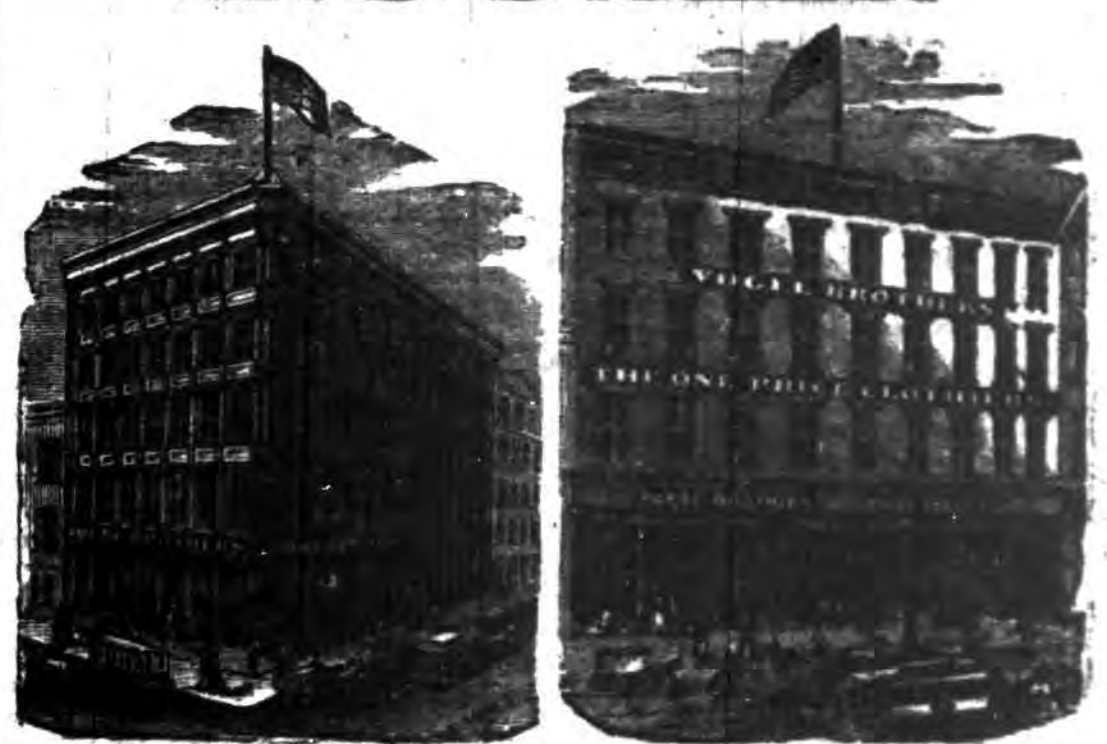
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